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FOREIGN DOCUMENTS DIVISION

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SUBJECT: Basic Exploitation Program for Southeast Asia

A. General

1. The following Basic Exploitation Program for Southeast Asia is effective as of this date. The program consists of a monthly information report on Indochina; a semiquarterly information report on Burma; a semi-quarterly information report on Thailand; a quarterly information report on Indonesia; a semiquarterly information report on Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia; and a biweekly survey of a Philippine newspaper.

2. The following personnel are responsible for compiling information received, maintaining branch and division schedules and receiving information from other branches of the division for the reports indicated:

<u>Monthly Information Report on Indochina -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A
<u>Semiquarterly Information Report on Burma -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A
<u>Semiquarterly Information Report on Thailand -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A
<u>Quarterly Information Report on Indonesia -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A
<u>Semiquarterly Information Report on Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A
<u>Biweekly Survey of the Bagong Buhay -</u>	[redacted]	25X1A

The Chief of the Far East Branch will designate alternates for the above personnel as required.

3. Generally, items presented should represent full exploitation of the original text. Exceptions will be indicated by bracketed notes on the nature of the information omitted.

4. Information in categories covered in the FDD Selected Briefs from the International Press will not be included in the reports published under the Basic Exploitation Program for Southeast Asia.

5. The schedule of reporting will be maintained as indicated.

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B. Program

The following reports will be issued in the FDD Summary series, consisting in general of summaries of information in newspapers, periodicals, and monographs. A list of sources will be maintained by HF. The classification of all reports will be "CONFIDENTIAL."

1. Monthly Information Report on Indochina

- Subjects:
- a) National and local government and political organizations and activities
 - b) Manpower, labor
 - c) Ethnic groups (including religious sects)
 - d) Popular reaction toward internal and external affairs
 - e) Agriculture
 - f) Industry
 - g) Transportation and telecommunications
 - h) Domestic and foreign trade (except with the Communist Bloc)
 - i) Biographic (including military and naval personalities)

The report will be organized into sections on South Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, and if material becomes available, North Vietnam in which case, military information on North Vietnam will be included.

Schedule: To Reports Branch on the second Tuesday of every month beginning 12 October 1954.

2. Semiquarterly Information Report on Burma

- Subjects:
- a) National and local government
 - b) Political organizations and activities
 - c) Subversive activities
 - d) Manpower, labor
 - e) Ethnic groups
 - f) Popular reaction toward internal and external affairs
 - g) Agriculture

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- h) Transportation and telecommunications
- i) Domestic and foreign trade (except with the Communist Bloc)
- j) Industry
- k) Cultural and sociological activities
- l) Biographic

Schedule: To Reports Branch every six weeks beginning 15 October 1954.

3. Semiquarterly Information Report on Thailand

- Subjects:
- a) National and local government
 - b) Political organizations and activities
 - c) Internal security
 - d) Manpower, labor
 - e) Ethnic and regional groups
 - f) Cultural and sociological activities
 - g) Popular reaction toward internal and external affairs
 - h) Agriculture
 - i) Transportation and telecommunications
 - j) Domestic and foreign trade (except with the Communist Bloc)
 - k) Industry
 - l) Biographic

Schedule: To Reports Branch every six weeks beginning 12 November 1954.

4. Quarterly Information Report on Indonesia

- Subjects:
- a) Government and political organizations and activities (including elections)
 - b) Military (including training facilities, paramilitary and security activities, and biographic information)
 - c) Manpower

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- d) Labor organizations and affiliations
- e) Transportation and telecommunications
- f) Ports and harbors
- g) Agriculture
- h) Domestic and foreign trade (except with the Communist Bloc)
- i) Resources
- j) General economic developments
- k) Sociological activities with emphasis on education and cultural organizations

This report will be organized into sections on Java, Sumatra, Borneo, Celebes, Moluccas, and Lesser Sundas.

Schedule: To Reports Branch on the first Tuesday of every third month beginning 7 December 1954.

5. Semiquarterly Information Report on Overseas Chinese in Southeast Asia

- Subjects:
- a) Economic activities
 - b) Political activities
 - c) Education
 - d) Labor

Schedule: To Reports Branch every six weeks beginning 29 October 1954.

The following report will be issued in the FDD 00-W series consisting in general of summaries from the Bagong Buhay. The classification of the report will be "CONFIDENTIAL."

6. Biweekly Survey of the Bagong Buhay

- Subjects:
- a) Popular reaction toward public issues and toward the US
 - b) Provincial information
 - c) Resettlement of HUKS
 - d) Appraisal of national and local government activities, local political party activities and personalities, and labor organization activities

Schedule: To Reports Branch on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month beginning 22 September 1954. /

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